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## THE BANNER.

WM. M. HARPER, LOCAL EDITOR.

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### LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

— Job work expediently executed at the BANNER office.

— Rowland, the Richland treasury thief, has not yet been heard from.

— The Knox Common Pleas will commence its February Term on Monday week.

— Don't buy anything you don't need just because you can get it cheap; for, sometimes have been lost at auction.

— The officers of the Exchange Bank of Belleville, deny that Hubbard Colby, of Mansfield, owes that institution \$30,000.

— Dr. George W. Bloomer, a prominent citizen of Zanesville, died on the 31st of December, in the 56th year of his age.

— A gentleman is popularly supposed to be one who can do anything except make a living. We have a few of these fellows in Mt. Vernon.

— If you want to know what a man thinks of you get him mad. We never knew what is at the bottom of a stream until it is stirred up.

— A little baby is an easy thing to love but a big baby is a hard thing to love, says a veteran observer—especially if you have married her.

— The First National Bank of Ashland shows a deposit account of \$421,925.89. That is pretty good for a little rural town these "hard times."

— The Grand Jury of Licking county, at its recent session, found indictments against twenty-one persons—about a dozen of them being gamblers.

— Monday, January 20th, was the anniversary of the birthday of Scotland's charming bard, Robert Burns. There was no demonstration in Mt. Vernon.

— The Bucyrus *Forum* announces that "Hon. Joseph Watson, of Mt. Vernon," and "other distinguished lawyers," have been attending Court in that town.

— Wm. Arnold, Esq., an old and esteemed citizen of Cadiz, and father of the editor of the *Cadiz Sentinel*, died on the 16th inst., in the 76th year of his age.

— M. B. Bushnell, heretofore the ticket agent of the A. & G. W. R. R., at Mansfield, has been chosen Cashier of the National Bank, in place of J. M. Johnson.

— We are indebted to Mr. E. W. Coomb, Clerk in the Missouri Legislature, for a pamphlet copy of the able and interesting Message of Governor Woodson, of Missouri.

— Hon. Wm. Parsons, the talented Englishman, who lectured in Mt. Vernon a year ago, repeated his lecture on Richard Brindley Sheridan, in Delaware, on Friday last.

— Jacob Ross, Esq., of Howard township, has three dark gray colts, two two years old and the other three years old each, whose aggregate weight is 4000 lbs. Who can beat that?

— One Isaac Smith, of Delaware county, a married man, has eloped with a Mrs. Lee, who was recently divorced from her husband, and gone to parts unknown. Both parties left families behind.

— A man named Andrew J. Petty, of Deere Creek township, Pickaway county, is now in jail at Circleville, charged with the awful crime of killing his son, a child of six years, and then burning the body.

— A farmer writes to the *Cincinnati Gazette*, from Knox county, Ohio, that the late storm of sleet and snow had prostrated in his timber tract of 150 acres from one to two thousand trees, large enough for rail purposes.

— The receipts of the Licking County Agricultural Society, during the Fair of 1873, were \$6,016.70, and the disbursements, \$4,616.79, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$1,400. The cost of printing and advertising was \$250.15.

— Lewis Loos, Esq., Superintendent of the Public Schools of Millersburg, spent a few days in Mt. Vernon this week, examining into the workings of our educational institutions. We understand that he was very favorably impressed.

— Edward Eggleston, author of the "Hoosier Schoolmaster," lectured over in Delaware the other night; but judging from the criticisms in the local papers, he failed to meet the expectations of the refined people of that literary metropolis.

— The Mayor of Delaware has given instructions to the police to take charge of all vagrants who may be found prowling around the streets of that place, and conduct them to the engine house, where they find something to eat and a bed to sleep on.

— There is a boiler factory opposite the hall in which the Constitutional Convention of Ohio is now sitting, the workmen in which have sent word to the members that unless the Convention makes less noise the factory will have to move. The *Ashland Press* tells the story.

— A magnificent new Music Hall was dedicated in Ashland on Friday week, when a reunion and banquet took place, where are graphically described in the *Ashland Press*. The Rev. Mr. Stroup delivered an eloquent address on the occasion. The net proceeds were \$265.

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— Knox County News are acquiring a reputation all over the State. The latest sale reported to us took place on Tuesday, when Mr. James Martin, of Monroe township, sold a "Prince Imperial" bull calf, one year old, to Mr. John Siddle, of Blachsville, Wayne County, for the sum of \$100.

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— The Ohio State Board of Agriculture invite proposals until the 10th of February for a place of holding the State Fair for a period of five years—the parties to furnish at least 50 acres of ground, to furnish the necessary building, amphitheatre, stalls, etc., or in lieu thereof, pay a bonus of \$5,000 per annum to the Society. We guess Mt. Vernon will not enter into competition.

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— The above petition was signed by the Commissioners and forwarded to Hon. A. J. Beach, Representative from Knox county in the General Assembly.

— The Prohibitionists held a County Convention at the Court House, Mt. Vernon, on Tuesday, Jan. 29th. Wm. Bonar, Esq., was President, and Dr. C. W. Townsend Secretary. Although the day was wet, the Convention was a very dry gathering, and about twenty persons being in attendance.

— A committee, consisting of Messrs. Townsend, Montgomery and Lane, was appointed to draft resolutions.

— Mr. Sweeney of Franklin county, and Mr. Evans of Delaware county delivered speeches.

On motion of Mr. Dunbar, a delegation of 20 persons, was appointed to the Prohibition State Convention, the time and place for holding which are heretofore to be agreed upon. It was agreed that an effort should be made to have the Convention meet in Mt. Vernon.

— The committee on resolutions made a report which will appear in the *Independent*, the organ of the party, this week.

— An auxiliary committee of one person was appointed in each township in the county, excepting Pleasant and College, where no votes for the Prohibition ticket were cast last October.

— In the evening a Prohibition meeting was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, which was addressed by the Rev. David Tatum, of Cleveland, of the Friends, or Quaker Society. It is spoken of as a very able effort.

— Washington's Birthday.

The students of Kenyon College, and the other institutions of Gambier, will celebrate Washington's birthday on Friday, the 29th, by an illumination of the buildings and orations. The orations will be delivered by Messrs. Ingraham and Turney. Mr. Miller's band will furnish music on the occasion. A special train will run down from this city to Gambier, provided a sufficient number of persons will engage to go to guarantee the Railroad Company against loss.

— Blakeney's New York Theatre.

This popular troupe open to-night (Thursday) at Woodward's Opera House, in the sensational drama of "Destiny, or Life's Vicissitudes," and will play the remainder of the week, with a change of programme each evening. The high reputation which they bear throughout the State as a first-class company, is a sufficient guarantee that they will be greeted with full houses during their stay in Mt. Vernon.

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The Delinquent Land Sale, advertised to take place at the Court House, on the 20th of January, attracted but very few persons, as the taxes on nearly all the tracts were paid by the owners before the day of sale arrived. Only a few tracts of value were sold to outside parties. Very small tracts were not sold for want of bidders, and will have to go over as forfeited.

— The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College had a meeting at Gambier last Wednesday.

— Our venerable townsman, E. S. S. Rouse, Esq., is one of the contributors to Locke's National Monthly, at Toledo.

— The word "horrible" but feebly expresses the kind of weather and the condition of the roads during the past week.

— The Good Templars will give a grand festival at their Hall, No. 2, Kremen, on Wednesday eve, Jan. 11, 1874. By order of Committee.

— We understand that Dr. E. D. W. C. Wing contemplates starting a clothing store in the thriving town of Sunbury, Delaware county.

— Sunbury has one of the best stone quarries in the State; and now that we have direct communication with that town, we hope to see our citizens using this smooth and beautiful stone for paving the sidewalks, instead of brick.

— We learn from the Canton Democrat that Mr. Wm. Lowe, of Massillon, has invented an ingenious improvement for stopping the running gear of a sewing machine, while the bibbin is being filled. He has applied for a patent.

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